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GODZILLA KING OF THE MONSTERS

ALL
NEW!

BATTLE OF THE BEHEMOTHS!



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MrBC
SCAN



Eons past, a monstrous hybrid of land and marine reptiles was sealed into a state of suspended animation, slumbering through the fall of dinosaurs and the rise of man. But, awakened by an undersea nuclear test, the creature returned to life — now breathing the fires of radiation...

STAN LEE
PRESENTS:

GODZILLA™ KING OF THE MONSTERS!

INSTANT RECAP! DEEP IN A CANADIAN ICE-CAVE, A MAN-MONSTER HAD LAIN FROZEN IN SUSPENDED ANIMATION, UNTIL AN ARIZONA UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR TEST SPLIT THE EARTH NORTHWARD, CREATING A SUBTERRANEAN "PIPELINE" TO CANADA. THE TREMORS SHATTERED THE CREATURE'S PRISON OF ICE, AND THE SEEPING RADIATION MADE HIM... GROW, REVIVED, CONFUSED, HE ULTIMATELY ENCOUNTERED ANOTHER MONSTER, WHOM HE STALKED TO THE EDGE OF A SHEER CLIFF. AND NOW, BOTH HE AND GODZILLA FIND THEMSELVES FALLING, FALLING...

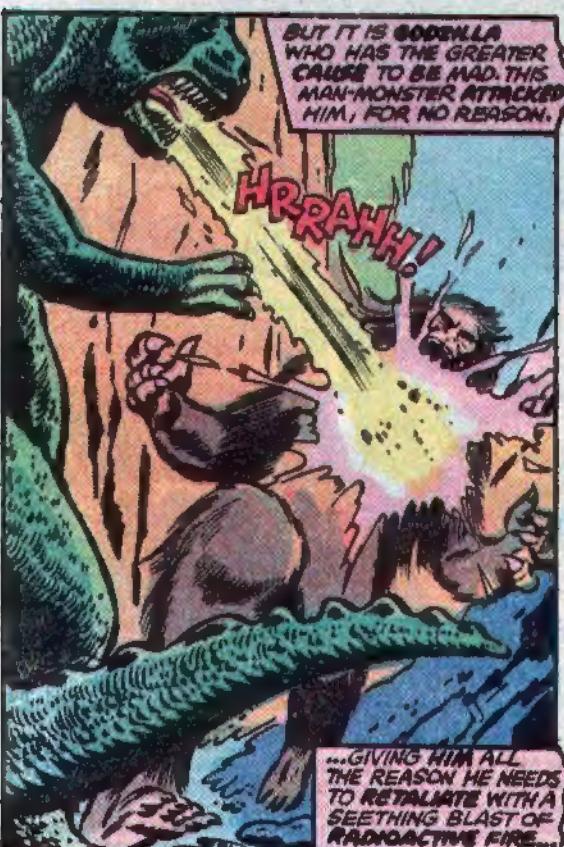


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THEY HIT WITH THE
IMPACT OF AN AVALANCHE,
BOTH SHRIEKING...

...AND WHEN THEY RISE, THE RAGING COLORADO
RIVER IS NO MORE THAN A TRICKLE AT THEIR
FEET...



I CAN HARDLY BELIEVE IT, RED RONIN! THAT THING'S JUST LIKE THE LEGENDS OF YETRIGAR—GIANT SHAGGY-MEN WHO LIVE IN THE MOUNTAINS OF JAPAN! BUT HOW DID GODZILLA MANAGE TO FIND ONE HERE?

NO TIME TO WORRY ABOUT IT NOW. WE'D BETTER FIRE A COUPLE OF OUR SHIELD-ROCKETS TO STOP THIS FIGHT BEFORE IT GOES TOO FAR...



AND INSIDE RED RONIN'S HEAD, YOUNG ROB TAKIGUCHI BEAMS WITH SATISFACTION...

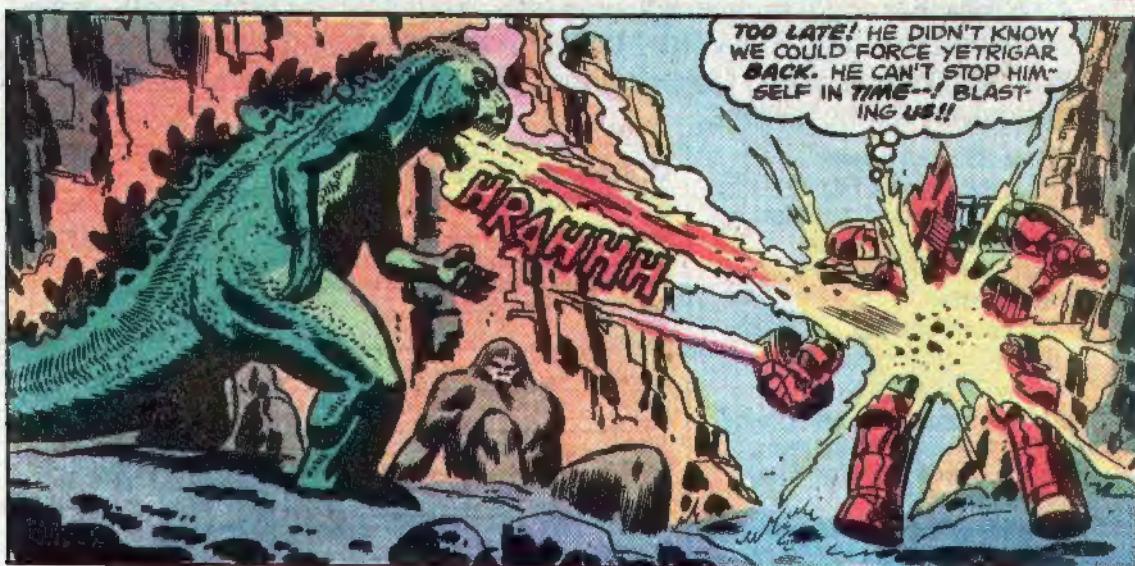
WE DID IT, RED RONIN! THEY STOPPED FIGHTING!

THEY'RE NOT EVEN LOOKING AT EACH OTHER ANY...

UN-DH, YETRIGAR IS LOOKING AT US... AND COMING THIS WAY.

BETTER ACTIVATE OUR LASER-BLADE ... BEFORE HE DECIDES TO...





AND NOW VETRIGAR'S
TAKING ADVANTAGE
OF THE CONFUSION!

LOOK HOW
POWERFUL HE
IS, RED RONIN!
HE'LL KILL
GODZILLA--

KWUD

-IF WE
DON'T STOP
HIM!

BWOK

GOT HIM! BUT
WHAT DO WE
DO WITH HIM?

CAN'T HOLD HIM FOREVER. HOW DO
WE MAKE HIM UNDERSTAND?!

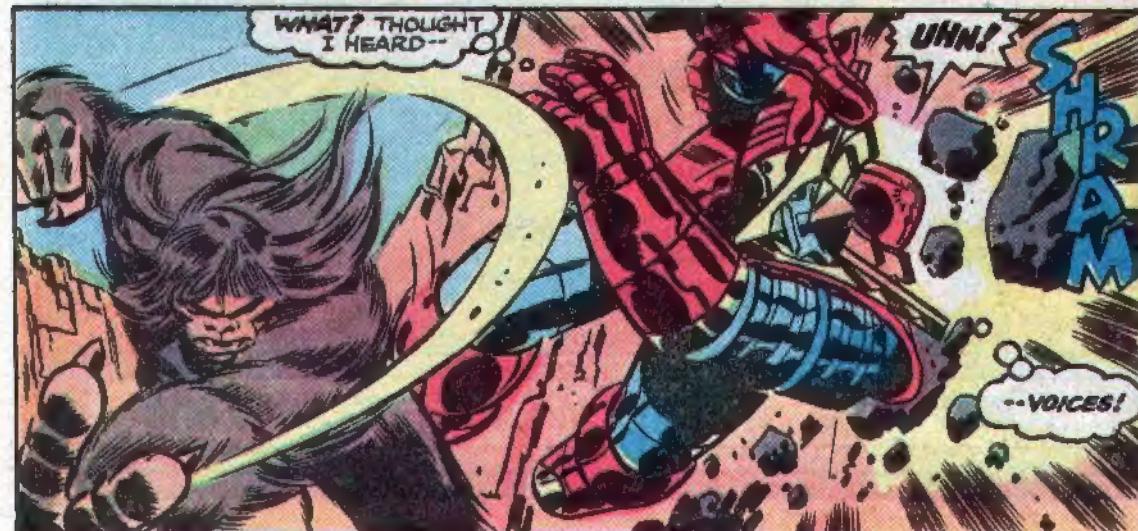
AND WHILE ROB
WRESTLES WITH
HIS COMPLETELY
INCREDIBLE
DILEMMA--

--JUST UPSTREAM, TWO YOUNG COUPLES ARE SWEPT,
UNSUPECTING THROUGH AN EXHILARATING ADVENTURE...

YOU ALL
RIGHT,
MARY?

FINE,
JEFF.

HANG ON, JILLIAN, THESE WHITE WATERS
CAN GET PRETTY ROUGH, ESPECIALLY
FOR YOU GIRLS. IN FACT, RIGHT AROUND
THE NEXT BEND, THERE'S--



WELL, THAT'LL
TEACH US TO LOSE
CONCENTRATION,
RED RONIN...

...BUT I'M SURE
I HEARD SOME
VOICES--FAR
AWAY.



WHAT'S THAT? SOUNDS
LIKE WE KNOCKED SOME
ROCKS LOOSE WITH
THAT SLAM.

WELL, A
FEW ROCKS
CAN'T HURT
US, RED
RONIN.

KTUNK



LOOK OUT!
A ROCKSLIDE
COMING RIGHT
AT US!



BUT THE CURRENT IS FAR TOO STRONG,
AND THE TIME FAR TOO SHORT...

...FOR ANYTHING BUT CATASTROPHE!

VIOLENTLY BUFFETED BY THE
STORM OF SPLASHING
BOULDERS, THE RAFT IS
TOSSSED LIKE A CHIP OF
BARK IN A TEMPEST...



...AND FINALLY SPIT FROM THE
RIVER, SKIMMING AND SPINNING
THROUGH THE SPRAY...

AND WHEN THE RAFT COMES TO A BOUNCING, SKIDDING HALT ON THE ROCKY SHORE, FOUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN SEARCH OF SAFE DANGER...



SOME THIRTY MILES AWAY...



FOUR
MINUTES
LATER...

'LEAST THE THING'LL
LEAD US TO GODZILLA.

YEAH. ALMOST
FORGOT
ABOUT HIM.

HEY, HOW DO YA
KNOW THE THING
WENT THIS WAY, JONES?
YA GOT E.S.P. OR
SOMETHIN'?



NOPE. I GOT A
TRAIL OF GIANT
FOOTPRINTS.
KINDA HARD
TO KILL.

REMIND ME OF THE
PLASTERCASTS OF THOSE
PRINTS UP IN CANADA,
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
...EVEN TIBET...



...EXCEPT
A COUPLE
HUNDRED
TIMES
BIGGER.

SHOULDA KNOWN YOU WAS ONE
O' THOSE WEIRDOS WHO BELIEVE
IN THE 'BOMBABLE SNOWMAN.'



THAT'S 'CUZ I AIN'T GULLIBLE LIKE YOU, JONES. I
BET YOU EVEN BELIEVE IN THAT NESSIE-MONSTER
THE HOTELS COOKED UP IN SCOTLAND.

MAYBE I DO, DUM-DUM.
I BELIEVE IN YOU, DON'T
I? AND SOME PEOPLE
WOULD FIND THAT
HARD TO SWALLOW.

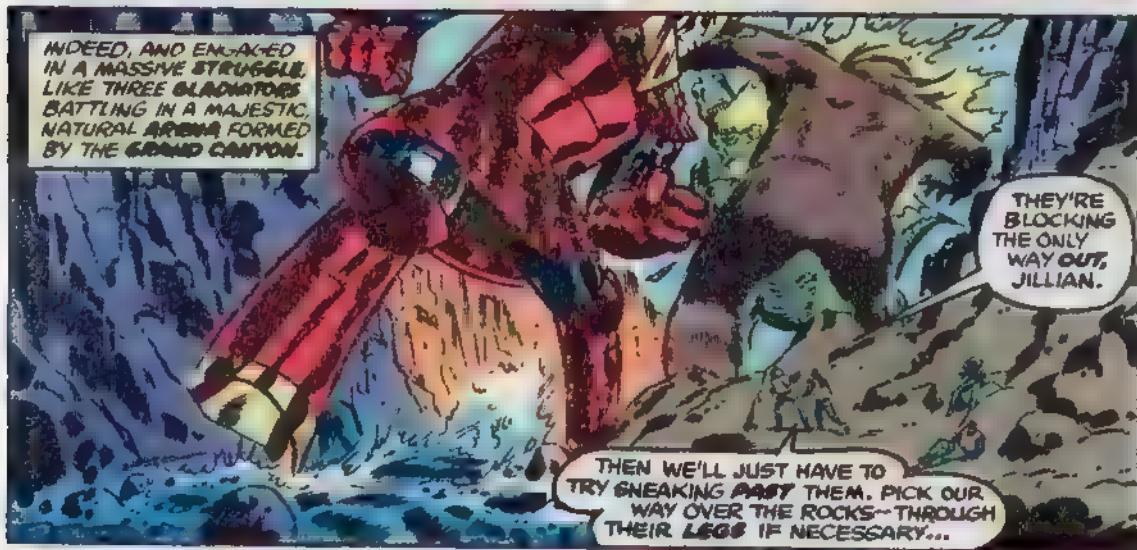
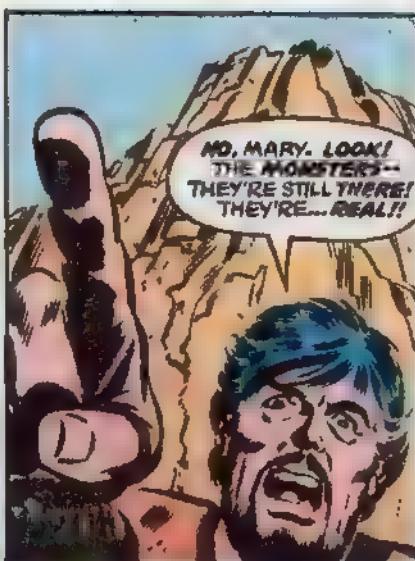
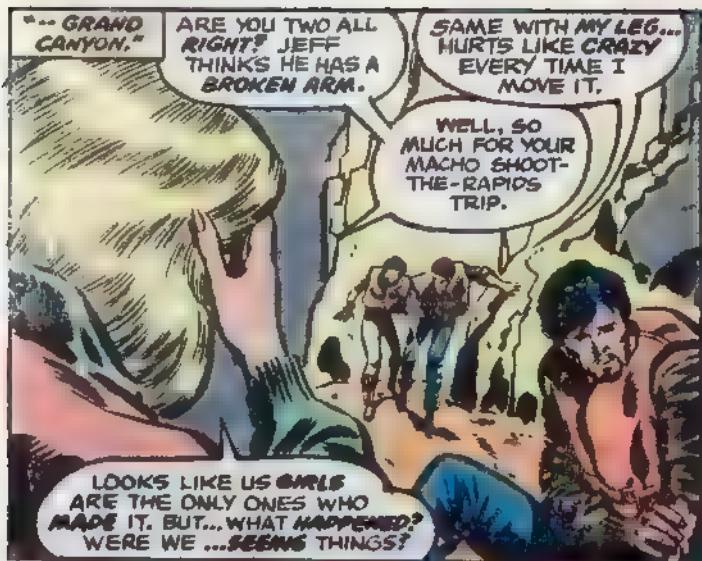


SHADDUP AN'
FLY, JONES--
BEFORE I PUSH
YER EJECT
BUTTON.

I'M FLYIN'
BABE. YOU
BETTER
BELIEVE
IT.



AND GUESS WHAT?
I'D SAY WE'RE ON
OUR WAY STRAIGHT
TO THE—



WE HAVEN'T GOT THE RIGHT TO KILL HIM ANY MORE THAN MR. DUGAN AND THE AMERICANS HAVE A RIGHT TO KILL GODZILLA.



HOW CAN WE MAKE THEM STOP HIM?

OH, NO! THIS IS JUST WHAT I WAS AFRAID OF. YETRIGAR'S STUNNED... AND GODZILLA'S GOING TO SLAM HIM WITH HIS TAN...



GOT TO STOP HIM!

SHAK!



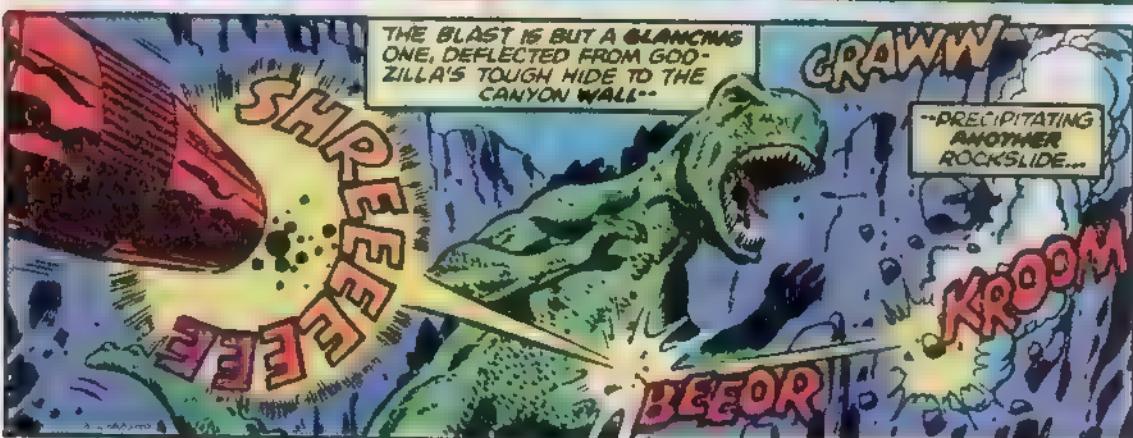
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CHOK!



THE BLAST IS BUT A GLANCING ONE, DEFLECTED FROM GODZILLA'S TOUGH HIDE TO THE CANYON WALL...





AND IF ROB IS AWARE OF THEM, AT THE MOMENT HE'S TOO BUSY TO THINK ABOUT IT...

GODZILLA'S REALLY TURNING ON US NOW,
RED RONIN--

--MAD OVER
THE WAY WE
BLASTED HIM!

AND IF WE DON'T
START FIGHTING
BACK--WE'RE
DONE FOR!



NO!!

HE STEPPED FORWARD! WE
REALLY SLASHED HIM!

HE'S HURT!!

COME ON!
KEEP
CLIMBING!

GIVE
ME
YOUR
HAND,
RON.

AGHH!!

MY
LEG!!

IT'S NO USE, MARY!
I'LL NEVER MAKE IT.

NOP WHERE'S
YOUR "SPIRIT
OF CHALLENGE"
NOW, RON?

YOU WANTED TO "CONQUER THE COLORADO"--
"DEFEND THE GRAND CANYON"--SO WHY
DO YOU WANT TO QUIT NOW?

IS THAT WHAT YOU WANT TO DO? OR DO YOU
WANT TO FACE A REAL CHALLENGE AND CLIMB
THIS LOUSY PILE OF ROCKS??

ALL RIGHT.
MARY... YOU'VE MADE
YOUR POINT. LET'S GO
FOR IT.

AS LONG
AS IT'S JUST A
GAME YOU'RE
READY, WILLING,
AND ABLE--BUT
WHEN YOUR LIFE
GOES ON THE LINE,
YOU'RE READY TO
FOLD UP AND
QUIT??

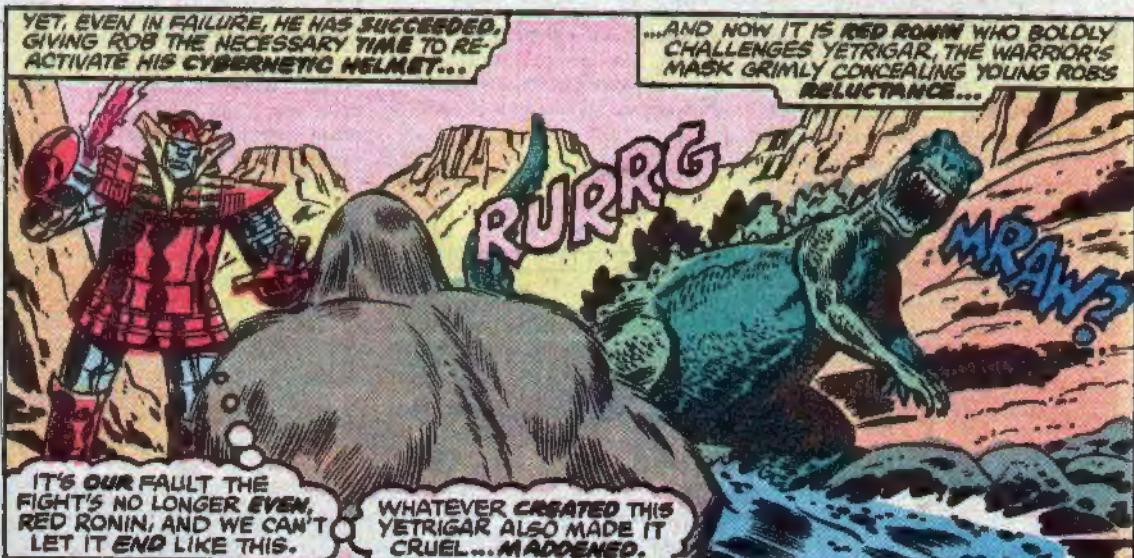
AND, TOWERING NEARBY, YETIGAR SENSES AN OPENING...

WE'VE HURT EACH
OTHER. GODZILLA'S WEAKENED
AND SO ARE WE, RED RONIN.
BUT OUR COMMON ENEMY
IS HARDLY SCRATCHED...

IF HE DECIDES
TO ATTACK EITHER
OF US NOW...

HE DOES. FOR, AN
OPENING IS ALL THE
BRUTAL MAN-MONSTER
NEEDS.

AGHH!



WE'VE GOT NO CHOICE! I'M TOO WEAK
RIGHT NOW. NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO
FIGHT HIM WITHOUT HURTING HIM...



SO THE ONLY WAY
TO STOP HIM IS...
TO KILL HIM.



AND WHILE ROB IS TORN
BETWEEN ANGUISH AND
DETERMINATION, GUIDING
RED RONIN THROUGH ONE
HATEFUL SLASH AFTER
ANOTHER...

COME ON,
JEEF! YOU CAN
MAKE IT.

HOW'S RON,
MARY?

WELL,
RON?

I'M ALL RIGHT...
NOW THAT I'VE
SWALLOWED MY
PRIDE.

OH, COME ON.
IT COULDN'T HAVE
TASTED THAT BAD.

WE MADE IT! AND LOOKS

IF THAT'S A
RESCUE PLANE,
WE WON'T HAVE
TO CLIMB DOWN
THE OTHER SIDE!



IT IS THE BLASTED ROBOT! I
DON'T BELIEVE IT—AFTER I
TOLD 'EM NOT TO LET THAT
LITTLE BRAT OUTTA THEIR
SHIRT. WAIT'L I GET
MY HANDS ON--



"RIGHT NOW, I SEE FOUR PEOPLE
DOWN THERE WHO COULD USE A
LIFT."

I DON'T
BELIEVE THEY
LET THAT KID
GO FREE—

--TO STEAL
A GIANT
ROBOT, NO
LESS!



I—I'M SORRY, YETRIGAR,
BUT I HAVE TO DO THIS.
I KNOW YOU'RE REALLY
INNOCENT, LIKE GOD-
ZILLA, BUT—

CHOOOM!

RURRG!

--BUT I'M TOO
WEAK...TO STOP
YOU ANY OTHER
WAY.

KUHROOM!

HOLY SMOKE!
LOOKIT
THAT!

HE COMPLETELY
BURIED THE THING!
CAN'T SEE IT AT
ALL ANYMORE!

BUT WHAT
ABOUT THE
OTHER
MONSTER?

LOOK'S LIKE THE
"LITTLE BRAT" TOOK
CARE OF THAT
PROBLEM, DUM-
DUM.

WE SAVED GODZILLA
...BUT WE HAD TO
KILL TO DO IT.

"AN' WHEN I DO, HE'S
GONNA FEEL MORE
THAN SORRY FOR HIM-
SELF!"

GOT TO GET
AWAY FROM
HERE!



NEXT
ISSUE:

THE MEGA-MONSTERS!

GODZILLA-GRAMS

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Hey, we thought we'd kick off this letters page with something of a special treat — even if it is a bogus one. What's a treat, you ask? And what the blazes does bogus mean anyway? Well, read on, people, read on...

Dear Doug and Herb,

"Simplicity of character is no hindrance to subtlety of intellect," —John Vlack Morley ("Life of Godzilla")

The following is an interview excerpted from "The Monstrous Times," in which our intrepid (and rather stupid) reporter, Commander Quotey, queries Godzilla on his opinions regarding GODZILLA #7. Outfitted with radiation-proof tape recorder, asbestos-lined earphones, and twelve grumbling SHIELD agents who consented to rescue the tape in the extremely likely event of trouble, the Commander fortunately emerged from the encounter unscathed... but has since begun to glow strangely. And now, without further ado, the interview...

CQ: Tell me, Godz, what was your reaction in general to GODZILLA #7?

G: RRRAAAWWGGGI (Translation: "Well, Commander, I found it very exciting. Both this issue and the last were marked improvements over previous efforts, conveying the same manic energy of the very best chase films, such as THE FRENCH CONNECTION and DIRTY HARRY, while also giving the characters a chance to develop interesting personalities. Doug's script was crammed with action without being mindless, and Herb's art was some of the best work he's produced in his entire career.")

CQ: I'm inclined to agree with you, Godz. Now, what do you think of this new character, Hugh Howards? You know, the new civilian pilot of the Hell-Carrier "Behemoth."

G: HHRRRAAAAGGGH! ("Extremely interesting, and obviously modeled on another HH who also exhibited a predilection for test-piloting, and who proved to be quite a colorful character himself. Yes, I think this Howards will develop into a top-notch supporting character, perhaps offsetting all the pro-Godzilla sentiment among the rest of the cast... shem, not that I resent any of my supporters in the least, of course.")

CQ: I see. How about little Rob and this Red Ronin?

G: GGGNNNAARRRGGG! ("Well, I must admit I'm anxiously waiting to see what a 12-year-old child could possibly do against someone of my, er, rather considerable stature, as it were. A very powerfully armed 12-year-old, it's true, but you know the old saying: A weapon is only as good as the man who uses it. How they ever let the kid get a second chance at that robot, though, I'll never fathom. And how did he suddenly gain expertise in the operation of Red Ronin?")

Minor points, of course, and not that I really care, Commander — because I'll obviously beat the tar out of Red Ronin no matter who operates him.")

CQ: Well, I'm not so sure about that. Indeed, I rather think that Red Ronin might — YYYOOOWWW!!

G: SSSSSPSSSSSS!

(At this point in the interview, the subject abruptly spewed a short burst of radioactive fire-energy.)

GRRAAWWW! ("Don't press your luck, boy. I can get extremely unreasonable. Ask Reymond Burr.")

CQ: S-S-Sorry, Mr. Godzilla. And now, I've really gotta fly, but if I might ask one more question on the way out: What do you think of the overall direction the GODZILLA mag has taken thus far? The SHIELD versus you format and all...

G: HHRRRAAAAGGGH! ("So far, so good. As a permanent thing, however, it might possibly wear a little thin. Look what Doug did in MASTER OF KUNG FU after his epic six-part Fu Manchu battle was over — he took a new direction. And perhaps when the present format of GODZILLA plays itself out, a similar change might be effected. But that's for the future; right now, I heartily approve of everything.")

CQ: Yes... well, thank you very much, Godzilla, for this most enlightening interview.

G: GRRRUFF! ("My pleasure, Commander.")

And there you have it, the world's first interview with the Big Gee. We feel it's Pulitzer Prize stuff, and can only hope the Commander will still be around to collect in the event he should win. But the way he's beginning to glow, however, we have reason to feel there may be some doubt...

A Lost Marvel Madman
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Ya see, People? After reading the above, who needs to even bother checking the dictionary for "bogus"? Also, would that it were otherwise and we could believe in the journalistic integrity of this mysterious Commander Quotey. After all, what better testament to our success in handling the GODZILLA book than hearing it straight from the lizard's mouth...?

Dear Marvel:

The 7th issue of GODZILLA was great! And oh, that Red Ronin — he's a natural! Speaking of naturals, that final two-page spread fits the category beautifully. It's a crime of cosmic proportions to confine Godzilla to a single tiny panel. Now may I humbly request Godzilla Vs. Ultimo?

Michael Brog

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You — and all our readers — may request any little thing your hearts desire, Mike. We just love to listen. But only the future will reveal the results of your ruminating requests. In the meantime, will you settle for Godzilla Vs. Yetinger...? Be good.

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